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SUBJ: OAU INQUIRY ON US-SAG TALKS (SIC)

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF NOV 4 LETTER AND ENCLOSURE SENT TO
MISSION BY OAU EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT TO THE UN.

QUOTE: THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANISATION OF
AFRICAN UNITY TO THE UNITED NATIONS PRESENTS ITS
COMPLIMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE UNITED
NATIONS, AND HAS THE HONOUR TO FORWARD HERewith A COPY OF
A NOTE VERBALE SENT TO THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY IN ADDIS
ABABA BY THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE O.A.U. ON THE
FORTHCOMING TALKS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA ON THE SALE OF ARMS AND MILITARY
AIRCRAFTS.

THE UNITED STATES MISSION MAY WISH TO FORWARD THE SAME
TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR A POSSIBLE COMMENT ON
THE SUBJECT.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANISATION OF AFRICAN
UNITY TO THE UNITED NATIONS AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY
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TO RENEW TO THE UNITED STATES MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS,

THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE

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QUOTE: THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN
UNITY PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY
AND WOULD LIKE TO INFORM THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT THROUGH
THE EMBASSY THAT THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT HAS BEEN GREATLY
DISTURBED BY THE AFP REPORT OF 16TH OCTOBER, 1974 WHICH
STATED THAT "TALKS ARE NOW UNDERWAY BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND
PRETORIA ON THE SALES BY THE UNITED STATES OF SIKORSKY
LONG-RANGE HELICOPTERS WARSHIPS, INTENDED EXCLUSIVELY FOR
THE SOUTH AFRICAN COAST GROUND AND ANTI-SUBMARINE DEFENCES."

THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE UNITED
STATES HAS CHANGED HER POLICY ON ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS WHICH BANNED THE SALES OF ARMS TO SOUTH
AFRICA PASSED IN 1963.

THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN
UNITY AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE
UNITED STATES EMBASSY THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST
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